

Amendments to the Specification:

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Figure 1A shows the preferred embodiment of the enclosed applicator.

Figure 1B shows the preferred embodiment of the enclosed applicator with the applicator exposed for application.

Figure 1C shows the applicator tip portion of the preferred embodiment of the enclosed applicator with a screw-on cap.

Figure 2 shows another embodiment of the enclosed applicator.

Figure 3 shows another embodiment of the enclosed applicator.

Figure 4 shows another embodiment of the enclosed applicator.

Please amend the DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT as follows:

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Figure 1A shows the preferred embodiment of the present invention. In the preferred embodiment, the enclosed applicator comprises of an applicator 1 fully sealed along with fluids 2 such as perfume, disinfectant, or other medications within an elongated housing 3 with an opening means 4 near the applicator tip 5. The opening means 4 may comprise of a simple twist-

off cap that is formed as part of the elongated housing 3. As shown in figure 1B, when the applicator tip 5 is exposed through the opening means 4, the fluid 2 in the elongated housing 3 may be applied through the applicator tip 5.

The applicator 1 and the elongated housing 3 may be formed as a single unit with the plastic blow molding process. In the preferred embodiment, the applicator 1 is a hollow elongated member extending from the bottom center of the elongated housing 3 to near the top end of the elongated housing 3. The applicator 1 may also comprise of a solid elongated member. The elongated housing 3 has an opening means 4 near the top end of the elongated housing 3 in the form of a score line or a reduce thickness section that will allow the top to be removed to expose the applicator tip 5. The opening means 4 may also be a snap-on cap or a screw-on cap, as shown in figure 1C. The opening in the elongated housing 3 near the applicator tip 5 is approximately the profile of the applicator tip 5 with a slightly larger dimension to allow fluid 2 enclosed within the elongated housing 3 to flow out of the elongated housing 3 and around the applicator tip 5. The applicator 1 will function both as an extractor and as an applicator. The elongated body 6 of the applicator 1 will disrupt the surface tension of the fluid 2 within the elongated housing 3 such that the capillary action of the fluid 2 within the elongated housing 3 will overcome the surface tension of the fluid 2 to allow the fluid 2 to flow out of the elongated housing 3 even when the volume and size of the elongated housing 3 is extremely small. The fluid 2 will flow to the applicator tip 5 and can then be applied to desired location.

Figure 2 shows another embodiment of the enclosed applicator. This embodiment of the enclosed applicator comprises of an elongated housing 7 enclosing and sealing an applicator 8 with the applicator tip 9 affixed near the opening means 10 such that when the elongated housing

7 is opened through the opening means 10, a portion of the applicator tip 9 will be exposed for application. The body 11 of the applicator 8 is an elongated member extending into substantially the length of the elongated housing 7 away from the opening means 10 that will allow the fluid 12 in the elongated housing 7 to flow to the applicator tip 9 to be applied. The applicator tip 9 may be made of an absorbent material such as cotton, foam, or sponge. The elongated body 11 of the applicator 8 will disrupt the surface tension of the fluid 12 within the elongated housing 7 such that the capillary action of the fluid 12 within the elongated housing 7 will overcome the surface tension of the fluid 12 to allow the fluid 12 to flow out of the elongated housing 7 even when the volume and size of the elongated housing 7 is extremely small.

Figure 3 shows another embodiment of the enclosed applicator. In this embodiment, the enclosed applicator comprises of an elongated housing 13 enclosing and sealing an applicator 14 with two ends 15, 16 wherein one end 15 is an applicator tip such as a swab applicator and the other end 16 is in the form of a thin pointed end such as a tooth pick and wherein the applicator 14 has an enlarged section 17 between the two ends 15, 16 that may either be affixed to the elongated housing 13 so as to separate it into two sealed sections for retaining two different fluids 18, 19 or be retained in the elongated housing 13 yet allow the same fluid to flow between the two ends 15, 16. One end 15 of the applicator 14 may have an applicator tip made of an absorbent material such as cotton, foam, or sponge.

Figure 4 shows another embodiment of the enclosed applicator. In this embodiment, the enclosed applicator comprises of an elongated housing 20 enclosing and sealing an applicator 21 with two ends 22, 23 wherein each end has an applicator tip and wherein the applicator 21 has an enlarged section 24 between the two ends 22, 23 that may either be affixed to the elongated